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PATENT

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Title:	TYPE I CYTOKINE RECEPTOR TCCR		

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Supplemental Restriction Requirement Office Action mailed March 22, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the following remarks.

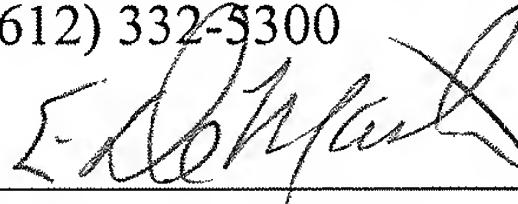
The Examiner has further required election of a single species of TCCR. Applicants elect human TCCR under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Claims 35, 49, 50, and 57-59 read on the elected species of TCCR.

Applicants note claim 49 is a linking claim that links a genus (TCCR) to species (murine TCCR, human TCCR). MPEP § 809.03. Upon allowance of the linking claim, Applicants are entitled to consideration of claims to additional species of TCCR. Any claims directed to non-elected species must be rejoined or reinstated and fully examined for patentability. MPEP § 809.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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